



JANUARY 2024

Happy New Year, D6-ers -

“So, what are your priorities for the coming year?” is the question I get asked most frequently each time the calendar says goodbye to one trip around the sun, and welcomes the next.

The trick with city governance is that we don’t get to pick one topic per year and focus our entire \$1.7-billion General Fund budget in that direction. We must address complex issues like public safety, homelessness, migration and ending death on our roadways at the same time as we deal with more straightforward responsibilities as our paving program, park maintenance, trash pickup, snow plowing and the like.

Providing an expanded inventory of housing for folks on every rung of the economic ladder is a number one concern. We must have a city where homelessness is rare and brief. I support the Mayor’s efforts to close encampments and get folks indoors. From there, we need to focus on the supports needed to return every man and woman to an independent productive lifestyle wherever possible. We talk about the importance of missing middle housing for our working class. Filling the gap of missing mental health/drug treatment services for all residents is equally critical to keeping people off the streets, and lifting them up if they fall that far.

Tied for first place is support for children and families. We know that healthy families are far more likely to raise healthy children. Stable housing, access to healthy foods, availability of affordable quality child care and after-school programming, and parenting support for those lacking in the needed skills can no longer be viewed as “nice if we can afford it.” We can no longer afford to not fund these critical areas.

It is a long-standing sad fact that Colorado (indeed the U.S. as a whole) is woefully low on the list of nations/states where funding for education is concerned. Nordic nations like [Sweden](#) and [Norway](#) - countries perceived to be great for raising children - each spend more than 1% of their total gross domestic product on early childhood education and care, according to the *Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development*. The [U.S.](#), in contrast, spends less than 0.5% of GDP on early childhood care and education. Similarly, Colorado ranks from 39th to 47th across all states in K-12 education funding depending on what particular measure of success is being

considered.

I have urged Mayor Johnston to follow the lead of our Office of Children's Affairs in pursuing the UNICEF designation as a Child Friendly City. Doing so will address all critical issues in family and child development - education, family support, youth violence prevention and more.

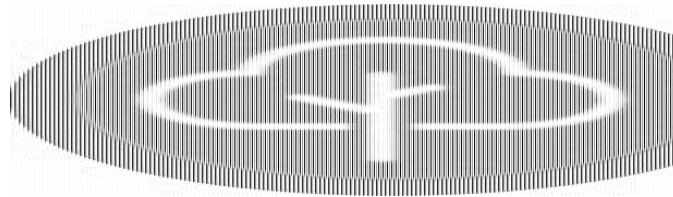
I will be looking to the 2025 budget to reflect this priority.

As I write this on a frigid snowy morn, I am pleased to announce that we are only 71 days, 21 minutes and 9 seconds until Spring!

Onward!

Paul

SUSTAINABLE 6 TIP - JANUARY 2024



It's Treecycle Season! January in Denver evokes a lot of memories for folks; winter snowstorms, hockey games, but our favorite is the annual Treecycle offered by Denver's Waste Management team. This month, we dive into the importance of mulch and a little of the science behind what happens after you dump your tree.



·You can [drop your Christmas tree off](#) during the week or on the weekend at several locations within the city all throughout the month of January. The trees are then chopped up, turned into mulch and given away for FREE to residents in May. [\(Stayed tuned for the exact date\).](#)

·[Mulch](#) is a protective layer of material that is left on the ground to enrich the soil. Mulch also helps hold in moisture, acts as erosion control, prevents freezing or heat stroke for plants and roots, and as it decomposes it adds beneficial nutrients back into the soil.

·Many materials can be used for mulching, but we recommend using all natural resources like straw, leaves, or wood chips brought to you by your discarded Christmas tree.

·The best mulch offers [thick yet breathable coverage](#) so that it limits the rate of moisture evaporating from the soil while still acting as an insulator and protective barrier. A generous layer of wood chips checks off both these criteria!

·Wood chip mulch is often placed in decorative areas for landscaping, but the utility

it offers is pure gold. Place thick layers around the base of trees, around vegetable seedlings to keep the roots cool, even sprinkle it in flower pots for added protection and moisture control for your spring flowers!

If the idea of throwing your tree in the trash fills you with anxiety, relax. Give your tree a second life and bring it by one of the drop off locations. While you're at it, bring by any broken or unwanted [holiday lights](#) to be recycled as well!

CITY COUNCIL, COMMITTEE MEETINGS & GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT



Tune in to Channel 8, go [online](#), or come on up to the 4th floor of the City and County Building (143 Bannock St) to watch your city's legislative branch in action!

CITY COUNCIL GENERAL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS :

MONDAY:

Budget & Policy Committee (meets every other week) – 1:30p.m.

[Watch Live](#) - [See agendas, minutes, and videos for this committee](#)

City Council Afternoon Session – 3:30p.m.

General Public Comment Session (see next paragraph for details) – 5-5:30p.m.

City Council Evening Session continues with unfinished business and public hearings at 5:30p.m.

[Watch Live](#) - [See agendas, minutes, and videos for City Council meetings](#)

Every week, starting at 5p.m., the Denver City Council hosts a 30 minute public comment session before the meeting of Council. Members of the public are invited to address the full Council on any topic that is not scheduled for a public hearing. Each speaker gets 3 minutes to speak on any topic of their choice. Sign up starts at noon on the Friday before the next scheduled general public comment session. [Sign up online](#) or by calling 720-337-2000.

TUESDAY:

Mayor-Council Meeting – 9:30a.m.

Parr-Widener Community Room, Room 389, City and County Building

[See schedules, agendas, and archived videos for this meeting.](#)

NOTE: This meeting is scheduled, managed, and noticed by the mayor's office. Please contact the mayor's office for information and questions about this meeting.

Finance and Governance Committee – 10:30a.m.

[Watch Live - See agendas, minutes, and videos for this committee](#)

Land Use, Transportation, and Infrastructure Committee – 1:30p.m.

[Watch Live - See agendas, minutes, and videos for this committee](#)

WEDNESDAY:

Safety, Housing, Education & Homelessness Committee– 10:30a.m.

[Watch Live - See agendas, minutes, and videos for this committee](#)

Business, Arts, Workforce, Climate, and Aviation Services Committee – 1:30p.m.

[Watch Live - See agendas, minutes, and videos for this committee](#)

JOIN YOUR REGISTERED NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION

Registered Neighborhood Organizations (RNO) are a great resource for information about events, changes, or future projects happening in your neighborhood!

[FIND YOUR RNO HERE](#)

Washington Park East Neighborhood Association (WPENA):

Tuesday, 2/13, 6:30-8p.m.

St John's Church (700 S Franklin St)

For more information and to sign up for their newsletter, visit the [WPENA website!](#)

Bonnie Brae Neighborhood Association (BBNA):

Monday, 1/8, 4p.m.

Eugene Field Branch Library (810 S University Blvd)

Information about future events on the [BBNA website!](#)

Lynwood Neighborhood Association (LNA):

For more information and to sign up for their newsletter, visit the [LNA Facebook page!](#)

Cook Park Neighborhood Organization (CPNA):

Thursday, 1/18, 6p.m.

Cook Park Rec Center (7100 Cherry Creek S Dr)

Virtual option: [Join the Zoom Meeting](#)

For more information and to sign up for their newsletter, visit the [CPNA website!](#)

University Neighbors Neighborhood Association (UNNA):

Thursday, 1/11, 6:30-8p.m.

Virtual only: [Join the Zoom Meeting](#)

For more information and to sign up for their newsletter, visit the [UNNA website!](#)

Cory-Merrill Neighborhood Association (CMNA):

For more information and to sign up for their newsletter, visit the [CMNA](#)

**Friends and Neighbors (FANS) of
Washington Park:**

Information about future events on the
[FANS website!](#)

**Virginia Village/Ellis Community
Association (VVECA):**

Information about future events on the
[VVECA website!](#)

[website!](#)

**University Park Community Council
(UPCC):**

Information about future events on the
[UPCC website!](#)

**Virginia Vale Community Association
(VVCA):**

Email paul@paulaceto.com for
information!

List of all District 6 RNO's

IN-DISTRICT OFFICE HOURS AT PETE'S U-PARK CAFE



Stop by and have a cup of coffee or munch on some brunch with Councilman Kashmann to discuss concerns in the District, thoughts about the city, or just to say "Hello"!

In-District Office Hours are **every Thursday, 8a.m.-noon**, at **Pete's University Park Cafe** (2345 E Evans Ave, at the corner of University and Evans), with parking available in the back.

HELP MIGRANT FAMILIES IN DENVER!

Please help support the migrant community by donating essential items! You can help provide crucial resources and support to those in need.



While all items are appreciated, we especially need:

- Winter hats, gloves and scarves (men, women and children)
- Hoodies, thermals and long sleeve shirts (men, women and children)
- Closed toed or winter shoes (children's)
- Closed toed or winter shoes (women's, sizes 4, 5, 6, 7)

For a complete list of needed items, [visit this webpage](#)

Where you can donate:

Community Ministry (Children's clothing only):
1755 S Zuni St
Monday - Thursday, 8a.m.-12p.m.

Para Ti Mujer
150 Sheridan Blvd. Suite 200 Lakewood, CO 80226
Monday, Wednesday or Friday, 9a.m.-3p.m.

Colorado Changemakers Collective

12075 E 45th Ave.

Monday - Friday, 9a.m.-3p.m.

Please call [\(720\) 385-9173](tel:7203859173) before dropping off donations.

Financial donations:

The [Newcomers Fund](#) is currently accepting monetary donations from the general public. Donations will go directly to the city's nonprofit partners who are supporting migrants with resource navigation, shelter and other services. You can also help out by [volunteering to support the response](#).

DISTRICT 6 ACADEMY 2024

The graphic is a purple-bordered poster with a dashed white border and star corners. At the top, it reads 'FROM THE OFFICE OF PAUL KASHMANN' in white and yellow text, with 'DENVER CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 6' below it. A central circular logo features silhouettes of people and the text 'DISTRICT 6 ACADEMY' and 'Empowering Residents To Take Action'. To the left, a curved banner says 'JUST ANNOUNCED! 2024 DISTRICT 6 ACADEMY TOPICS'. On the right, two green boxes contain text about the academy's focus and that courses are free. At the bottom, a section titled 'CHECK OUT OUR 2024 LINEUP!' lists four topics: Denver's Youth, Vision Zero, Climate Change, and Social Justice. A footer with stars encourages signing up for newsletters or social media.

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PAUL KASHMANN
DENVER CITY COUNCIL ★ DISTRICT 6

JUST ANNOUNCED!
2024 DISTRICT 6 ACADEMY TOPICS

DISTRICT 6 ACADEMY
Empowering Residents To Take Action

The District 6 Academy focuses on current issues and aims to provide residents with tools to empower them to effect change. This is a free series with the goal to provide critical knowledge and understanding of complex issues as well as valuable tools that residents can implement when engaging with city agencies and the community at large.

All courses are FREE and recorded! Sign up or watch recordings of past sessions on the District 6 website.

CHECK OUT OUR 2024 LINEUP!

Denver's Youth: Are we investing enough in our future?	Vision Zero: Sharpening Denver's focus on traffic safety	Climate Change: Is Denver doing enough to slow the burn?	Social Justice: Making the Denver experience equitable for all
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★ Sign up for our newsletter or check out our Facebook, Instagram, or Nextdoor pages for more details about dates, times, and locations! ★

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We are excited to announce our District 6 Academy series for 2024! The four topics we will be exploring are:

- Denver's Youth: Are we investing enough in our future?
- Vision Zero: Sharpening Denver's focus on traffic safety.
- Climate Change: Is Denver doing enough to slow the burn?
- Social Justice: Making the Denver experience equitable for all.

These sessions will feature experts from relevant city departments, and will provide you with the tools and knowledge to effect change in your community! We will hold one session in March, May, September, and November, so be on the lookout for more details in our February newsletter.

EUGENE FIELD BRANCH LIBRARY



The [Eugene Field Branch Library](#) is excited about all the things we have planned in 2024! We'd love to see you at the library for one of our adult programs or one of our weekly children's offerings.



In January, we begin our Winter of Reading program for adults. This free program encourages you to read some good books, engage with the library, and earn prizes. We'll also host a Winter of Reading kickoff party, an exploration of Qi Gong, a winter birding walk, and a presentation about Robert Speer's Denver.

For our young library friends, check out our weekly offerings, which include three storytimes, LEGO Club, and a craft program. After a short holiday break, these programs restart the week of January 8.

Bookmark the [branch calendar](#), stay connected [on Facebook](#), and we'll see you at the library!

CITY UPDATES FOR 2024

SLIGHT RAISE IN WATER RATE



Denver Board of Water Commissioners has adopted rate changes to help pay for important

MINIMUM WAGE TO INCREASE



The start of 2024 brings an increase in Denver's minimum wage to \$18.29 per hour on Jan. 1, and all

RTD FARES LOWER FOR ALL CUSTOMERS



Big fare changes are here! RTD's new fare system brings lower fares, a reduced number of fare zones, consolidated

upgrades, projects and ongoing maintenance and repair to keep its system operating efficiently. The new rates take effect Jan. 1, 2024, and for typical single-family residential customers who receive a bill from Denver Water, if they use the same amount of water in 2024 as they did in 2023, the new rates will increase their monthly bill by an average of \$1.60 to \$2.30 over the course of the year, depending on where they live.

[How Denver Water is building a strong, resilient water system for the future.](#)

[Water rates to rise slightly in 2024.](#)

businesses should have their payrolls prepared.

The minimum wage adjusts every year based on the Consumer Price Index to ensure wages keep up with Denver's cost of living. The 2024 increase was 5.8%, less than the 2023 increase of 8.94%.

Employers can still claim up to \$3.02 in tip credits per hour for qualified food and beverage workers, provided employers can show documentation of at least that amount in actual tips received.

[Read more about the minimum wage at DenverWages.org](#)

Discount fares, and decreased costs for 3-Hour, Day, and Monthly Passes. Travel to and from the Airport is included in all Monthly and Discount Passes. We offer decreased costs for Access-a-Ride and introduce Access-a-Ride LiVE fares. The new fare system expands access to the LiVE program, introduces a transit assistance grant program as well as a new Semester Pass for post-secondary students, and much more.

[Click here to learn about RTD's 2020-23 Ticket Book Exchange Program!](#)

FREE MUSEUM & ATTRACTION DAYS IN JANUARY!

Mark your calendars for FREE DAYS at Denver Museums & Attractions this month!

Denver Art Museum (100 W 14th Avenue Pkwy):
January 9, 27

Denver Museum of Nature and Science (2001
Colorado Blvd): January 8, 28

Denver Zoo (2300 Steele St.) ([Registration Required](#)): January 21

U.S. National Parks: January 15

[More information and list of all free days in 2024 can be found here!](#)



MARTIN LUTHER KING JR MEMORIAL BIKE RIDE

Help Recapture the Dream! Join the Denver Streets Partnership in collaboration with the [Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Colorado Holiday Commission](#) Marade (combination of a march and a parade) for the

second annual Bike Ride, January 15 at 2p.m. at Civic Center Park. This is an opportunity to join together and ride in solidarity with each other as we embark on a journey through the historic Five Points neighborhood. We will be riding by historically Black landmarks telling the story of those who worked hard to contribute to justice, equality, and equity. We encourage people to participate in the full event starting at 9:30a.m. at City Park and the ride at 2p.m. to follow.

DENVER MARADE
BROUGHT TO YOU BY
JANUARY 15, 2024

9:30 a.m.
Opening Ceremony
@ City Park

10:45 a.m.
Marade Step-Off
@ City Park

Closing Ceremony and
Resource Fair following the
Marade
@ Civic Center

After the Closing Ceremony
@ Civic Center
Dr. King Legacy Bike Ride

*Times subject to change

TO LEARN ABOUT ALL DMLK COLO. HOLIDAY COMMISSION EVENTS, SCAN QR CODE OR VISIT
<https://linktr.ee/dmlkjrche>

RECAPTURING THE DREAM

ABOUT US
The Denver Marade is organized by the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Colorado Holiday Commission, a volunteer-run, donor-funded organization. This event celebrates and honors the life and accomplishments of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr since 1986. Please join us as we honor Dr. King's legacy that lives on during this federal and state holiday day of celebration and service.

[More information and free registration here!](#)

JANUARY IS RADON ACTION MONTH

Radon is a silent killer that could be seeping into your home without your knowledge. January is Radon Action Month and it's a perfect time to take action to protect yourself and loved ones from radon. To prevent adverse health effects from radon, the [Denver Department of Public Health & Environment](#) (DDPHE)

encourages residents to test their homes for the dangerous gas every two to three years. DDPHE offers free radon test kits to residents of the City and County of Denver.

Radon is a naturally occurring radioactive gas that can cause lung cancer. You can't see or smell radon and it creeps in through cracks of a home's foundation. Testing is the only way to know your level of exposure. Every year, about 500 Coloradans die from lung cancer after inhaling radon and about 50% of homes in Colorado have elevated radon levels. Learn more about radon in Denver as well as how to get free testing kits on [the DDPHE radon webpage](#).

January is Radon Action Month

Denver residents can request a free radon test kit today

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DENVER
PUBLIC HEALTH & ENVIRONMENT

FREE NALOXONE & FENTANYL TESTING STRIPS FOR DENVER RESIDENTS

Substance misuse and overdose are an increasing community health concern across the country and in Denver. Overdoses are preventable. With the goal of reducing the



harm associated with drug use, the Denver Department of Public Health & Environment (DDPHE) provides free fentanyl testing strips and naloxone, the intranasal spray under the brand name Narcan, to Denver residents. Denver residents can [order these supplies through the DDPHE website](#) and have them delivered by mail.

DDPHE is only able to fulfill requests from residents of the City and County of Denver. If you live outside of Denver, several pharmacies also distribute naloxone. If you need an immediate supply of naloxone, or if you live in Colorado but outside of Denver, visit [Stop the Clock Colorado](#) to explore an interactive map of locations where naloxone can be obtained.

ORDER FREE AT-HOME COVID-19 TESTS TODAY

Every home in the U.S. is eligible to order an additional four free at-home tests. If you did not order tests this fall, place two orders for a total of eight tests.



Ordering tests is easy and takes only a few minutes:

- Step 1: Head to COVIDTests.gov to order.
- Step 2: Fill out your contact and shipping information.
- Step 3: Submit your order and have them delivered to your mailbox.

Need help placing an order? Call 1-800-232-0233 (TTY 1-888-720-7489) to get help in English, Spanish, and more than 150 other languages. The kits will include instructions on how to verify extended expiration dates. Many kits have had their expiration dates extended beyond what may be printed on the packaging. Learn more about COVID-19 in Denver [online](#).



RECYCLE YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE!

Extend the joy of the holiday season by giving your Christmas tree a new lease on life through Denver's Treecycle program! Starting Tuesday, January 2, Denver residents can recycle their Christmas tree at designated drop sites. To participate, ensure all decorations, lights, and tree stands are removed before dropping off the tree at a collection site near you!

Weekday drop sites are open Jan 2-31 from 8a.m.-2p.m. at the following locations:

- Cherry Creek Transfer Station - 7301 E Jewell Ave. (enter on E Jewell Ave)
- Havana Nursery - 10450 Smith Rd (enter on Smith Rd)
- Central Platte Campus - 1271 W Bayaud Ave (next to the Denver Animal Shelter)

Saturday drop sites are open January 13, 20 and 27 from 8 a.m.-2p.m. at these locations:

- Sloan's Lake Northwest Parking Lot - W Byron Pl and Yates St
- Bruce Randolph - E. 40th Ave and Steele St
- Fred Thomas Park - 2400 Quebec St
- Evie Dennis School Campus - 4800 Telluride St
- Central Platte Campus - 1271 W Bayaud Ave
- Carson Elementary - 5420 E 1st Ave
- Kennedy High School - Newland St and Brown Pl
- Slavens Elementary - 3000 S Clayton St

Trees received at Treecycle drop sites will be turned into mulch made available to Denver residents for free at our annual Mulch Giveaway in the spring! Residents that don't wish to recycle their tree (although we highly encourage it!) can set their tree out for collection on their large item pickup day. Trees left out for large item pickup will not be turned into mulch.

APPLY TO JOIN DENVER'S HUMAN RIGHTS & COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP ADVISORY BOARD



The City and County of Denver Mayor's Office and City Council are seeking applicants to fill two at-large vacancies on the [Human Rights & Community Partnerships \(HRCP\) Advisory Board](#). Established in 2007, the HRCP Advisory Board is made up of 15 members: 10 representatives from the HRCP Commissions and five at-large community members. The agency for [Human Rights & Community Partnerships](#) is an umbrella agency working to create lasting change for all Denver community members through advocacy, capacity building, partnerships, community engagement, and direct services.

The Advisory Board's responsibilities include:

- Advising the HRCP Executive Director on special or emerging issues or opportunities that may affect Denver's communities;
- Providing input to the executive director regarding annual agency goals, priorities, and objectives, such as analysis of the annual plans of the advisory commissions;
- Receiving reports from commission delegates regarding the work of the delegates respective commission as it relates to the advisory board's agenda; and
- Conducting a review every five years to assess the viability and effectiveness of each commission and to evaluate the need to eliminate existing or establish new commissions. The advisory board shall report its findings and make recommendations to the executive director in writing or orally or both as requested by the executive director or mayor.

Terms: Term lengths for members are three years, subject to renewal.

Compensation: Members serve without compensation, except that advisory board members may be reimbursed for expenses incurred in connection with the work of

the advisory board.

Meetings: HRCP Advisory Board meetings are held the 4th Friday of every month from 9a.m.-11a.m. These meetings are currently held virtually.

Application Process:

To apply please:

• [Complete the online application by following this link.](#)

- Provide a resume or CV.
- Include a cover letter indicating why you are interested in this role and highlighting your relevant experience.

Applications are due by February 9. Please send questions to Esther Lee Leach at esther.leeleach@denvergov.org.

PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER NAMING OF NEW UNNAMED PARK AT ILIFF & BELLAIRE

Department of Parks & Recreation is considering the naming of a new park, bounded by S Birch St to the east, S Bellaire St to the west, E Iliff Ave to the south, and E Warren Ave to the north, as “Bethesda Park”. This park name serves to honor the Dutch heritage of the area and reflect the impact that the Bethesda Sanatorium later known as the Bethesda Psychiatric Hospital had on this area among several generations of immigrants. Bethesda is a Hebrew word meaning “place (or house) of mercy”, aptly reflecting the values that the community wants to live on in the park.

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB) will hear public comments on this proposed naming on Wednesday, January 10 at 5:30p.m. at the Board’s regular meeting, currently being held online through Zoom. Access the meeting information at denvergov.org/PRAB (full meeting link listed below).

To speak at the public hearing, email arthur.gilkison@denvergov.org.

[Register for the January 10 PRAB meeting via Zoom.](#)

DENVER PRESCHOOL PROGRAM’S FREE PRESCHOOL SHOWCASE

Picking a preschool for your little learner is no small task. Fortunately, there is help! The Denver Preschool Program is hosting its 9th annual Preschool Showcase on Saturday, January 20, from 9a.m.-noon at the Denver Zoo. The Preschool Showcase is a FREE one-stop opportunity for parents to connect with a variety of quality-rated early education programs and learn more about available early education resources, including tuition support through the Denver Preschool Program. This year’s indoor event will feature family-friendly entertainment, delicious eats, photo ops with the Minions and



DENVER
PRESCHOOL
PROGRAM

entry to the Denver Zoo.

For more information, [visit their website](#) or call (303) 595-4733.

LOOKING FOR PRESCHOOL?
INTERESTED IN SAVING MONEY ON TUITION?

JOIN US AT THE 9TH ANNUAL
**PRESCHOOL
SHOWCASE**

Saturday,
January 20
9AM - 12PM at the
Denver Zoo, Gates Building
Free for Families

You're invited to a fun, free and convenient way to learn more about your preschool options and the tuition support available to every Denver family through the Denver Preschool Program. The Preschool Showcase offers the opportunity to meet and ask questions of preschool staff and directors from dozens of local preschools and find out how to lower your monthly tuition payments, all in one place.

IN ADDITION, ENJOY:

- **FREE** entry to the Denver Zoo
- Family-friendly entertainment
- Healthy snacks
- Community early childhood information and resources
- Special appearance by Daniel Tiger, courtesy of Rocky Mountain PBS KIDS



Learn more at DPP.ORG/SHOWCASE

RENT & UTILITY ASSISTANCE OPEN WITH NEW ONLINE APPLICATION



Denver's Temporary Rent and Utility Assistance (TRUA) program is reopening applications in a new online portal beginning January 2. The program is reopening thanks to collaboration between Mayor Mike Johnston and Denver City Council to amend the 2024 budget to increase resources for rent and utility assistance to \$29.1 million.

One in three households in Denver is paying more than a third of their income toward housing. TRUA can help with rent payments for up to six months per calendar year (including arrears, current rent and up to one future month). TRUA can also help both renters and homeowners with utility assistance (Denver Water/Xcel Energy).

The new online portal allows renters to fill out a brief pre-eligibility form and then apply, if eligible. The portal allows renters to check the status of their application at any time. One of three providers (Brothers Redevelopment, Jewish Family Service or the Community Economic Defense Project) will contact the applicant to process their application.

To qualify, you must:

- Live in the City and County of Denver or have been displaced from Denver in the past 90 days;
- Have a household income at or below 80% of the [Area Median Income](#); and
- Have experienced an unexpected financial hardship or other housing crisis.

You do NOT have to disclose your immigration status, and landlord participation is NOT required. Visit denvergov.org/RentHelp and to learn more.

The city also provides FREE tenant/landlord counseling and eviction legal assistance. Visit denvergov.org/EvictionHelp for more information about eviction legal clinics.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS RE: U.S. HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT CONSOLIDATED PLAN

We want to hear from you! Join us this month for a conversation about the annual funds Denver receives from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Come share your views on business support, neighborhood stabilization, and housing investments using HUD funds. There will be four meetings hosted at various times and locations, so join us for the one that is most convenient for you. These meetings are open to all, so please help us spread the word!



- Wednesday, 1/17, Glenarm Rec Center (2800 Glenarm Pl), 4:30-6p.m.
- Saturday, 1/20, Montbello Branch Library (12955 Albrook Dr), 2-3:30p.m.
- Monday, 1/22, East Montclair Community Center (1475 Newport St) 5-6:30p.m.
- Thursday, 1/25, Athmar Rec Center (2680 W Mexico Ave), 4:30-6p.m.

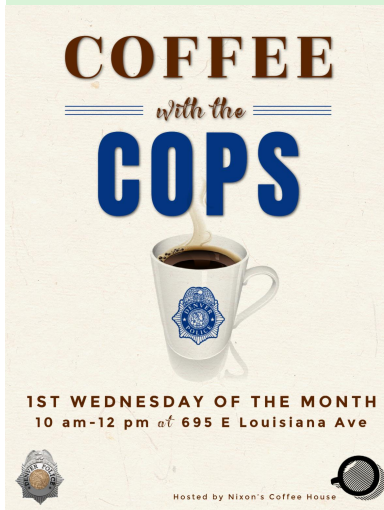
[Learn more and register here.](#)

THE LOVVE PROJECT



The LoVVe Project provides fresh food support to the families of Ellis Elementary School EVERY TUESDAY, where 87% of students qualify for free or reduced lunch. LoVVe hosts food distribution events for 200+ families, providing fresh meat, eggs, dairy, and produce as well as critical hygiene and cleaning supplies. They have also provided warm clothing, school supplies, and have vaccinated over 200 people at their COVID-19 clinic.

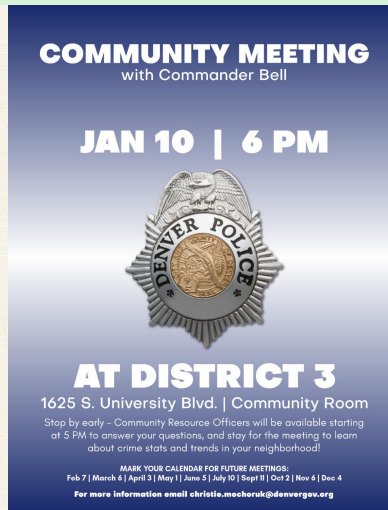
MEET YOUR DISTRICT POLICE!



COFFEE
with the
COPS

1ST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH
10 am-12 pm at 695 E Louisiana Ave

Hosted by Nixon's Coffee House



COMMUNITY MEETING
with Commander Bell

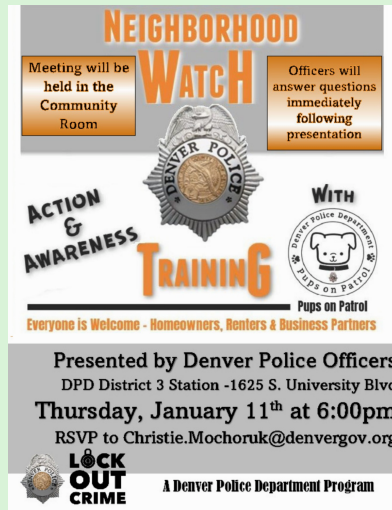
JAN 10 | 6 PM

AT DISTRICT 3
1625 S. University Blvd. | Community Room

Stop by early - Community Resource Officers will be available starting at 5 PM to answer your questions, and stay for the meeting to learn about crime stats and trends in your neighborhood!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:
Feb 7 | March 6 | April 3 | May 1 | June 5 | July 10 | Sept 11 | Oct 2 | Nov 6 | Dec 4

For more information email christie.mochoruk@denvergov.org



NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Meeting will be held in the Community Room

Officers will answer questions immediately following presentation

ACTION & AWARENESS TRAINING

WITH Pups on Patrol

Everyone is Welcome - Homeowners, Renters & Business Partners

Presented by Denver Police Officers
DPD District 3 Station - 1625 S. University Blvd
Thursday, January 11th at 6:00pm
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LOCK OUT CRIME
A Denver Police Department Program

Visit the District 6 Police Website!

911 SERVICES FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES



911 services for Deaf, Hard of Hearing and Residents with Speech Disabilities

Text: 303-513-6909, 720-723-8911

[Email HERE](#)

Be sure to text or email the location where help is needed, a summary of the situation, response to information requested by 911 such as injuries and suspect descriptions.

Registry for Residents with Disabilities:

You may now submit information about yourself or

SLOW DOWN, DENVER!



[REQUEST A YARD SIGN](#)

Denver has updated the default speed limit from 25mph to 20mph. This change applies to Denver's local streets – primarily the roads with no stripes that go through residential blocks. Additionally, wherever speed limit signs are not posted, the default speed limit will be 20 mph, per [city ordinance](#).

Lowering the speed limit on local streets is part of a broader effort Denver is taking to address safety on our streets citywide. In 2017, the City and County of Denver

PROPERTY TAX HELP



The Denver Property Tax Relief Program is still open! If you meet certain income rules, you could receive an average refund of \$1,000 from property taxes paid in 2022, or the equivalent in rent. Apply today or share with family and friends who might qualify!

Those who might qualify include renters and homeowners ages 65+, renters and homeowners disabled for all 2022,

other members of your household who have disabilities in order to help 911 respond appropriately during an emergency. Your information will remain confidential and will give officers advance warning about your circumstance prior to responding. Register [here](#).

set an ambitious goal of zero traffic-related deaths and serious injuries by 2030. By reducing the speed limit on our local streets, we can draw attention to the topic of vehicle speeds and help create a culture of safety within our neighborhoods where we are more likely to see people walking and biking.

or homeowners who lived with at least one dependent minor child in 2022.

[Learn more here](#) or call 720-944-4DHS (4347)

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